



Monthly Report June 2010

The following is a summary of activity of the Prevention Director and the BAY Team members in the month of June 2010.

Community:

The BAY Team is partnering with the Elks, the Barrington Police and the YMCA to offer three outdoor summer movies for teens and families. This community partnership will help provide three substance free events for local youth. Please see attached poster for details.



Primrose Hill Spring Fair

Adult and youth members of the BAY Team worked a table at the Primrose Hill School Fair. The message was an age appropriate safety message with a diving for ducks game that quizzed participants on safe ways to have summer fun. Winners received BAY Team Frisbees and a healthy fruit. We are attempting to support parents with younger children to help and support them with enforcing family safety rules which will hopefully carry on into the future.

Protecting Me/Protecting You

The students in the 4th grade created prevention posters as part of their health curriculum. The posters all have an anti-drink driving message. Over the summer, these posters will be on display throughout the community. The library, town hall, police station and several businesses will display the artwork.



Marijuana Subcommittee

The BAY Team subcommittee on Marijuana continues to educate community members about the need to prevent youth use of marijuana in the community. This year's proposed state legislation to decriminalize or legalize marijuana did not pass. The BAY Team was one of the few voices advocating against the passage of these laws. The group will continue to educate parents and legislators about the research based evidence on the dangers of this substance and

its impact on the brain of a developing adolescent. Over 50% of high school seniors report past 30 day use of marijuana, a serious concern for members of the Bay Team.

Monthly Parenting Tips

Parenting tips are produced electronically for all of the school newsletters. They are also published with the support of Verizon and included in the Barrington Times every month. This month's message offered some of the latest research data on energy drinks and prescription drugs.

Law Enforcement:

The Drug Free Community grant supports party patrols and law enforcement training to prevent and reduce underage drinking. Once again, the BAY Team will be able to support attendance at the annual National Leadership's Enforcing Underage Drinking Laws conference.



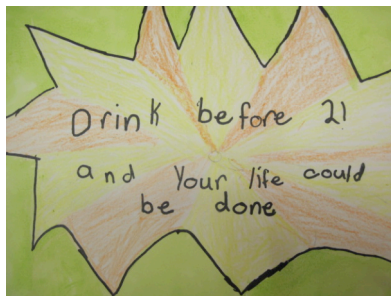
Drug Free Community Grant

The members of the BAY Team will be participating in our independent evaluator's Annual Members' Survey. This online survey helps us assess the effectiveness of the coalition and its process.

During the summer, the Director and Project Manager will be meeting individually with BAY Team members to review the past year and plan for upcoming projects.

Family Dinner Day

Once again, a subcommittee of the BAY Team will meet during the summer to plan awareness activities to celebrate national Family Dinner Day. This year the event will be on Monday, September 27th.



Family Dinner Day 2010

"YOU are the most potent and underutilized tool to prevent your children from using substances and engaging in risky behavior."



Research by The National Center on Addiction and Substance Abuse ([CASA](#)) at Columbia University has consistently found that **the more often kids eat dinner with their families, the less likely they are to smoke, drink or use drugs.**

Dinners Make A Difference! While there are no silver bullets – substance abuse can strike any family– the parental engagement fostered at the dinner table can be a simple, effective tool to help prevent substance abuse in kids.

"America's drug problem is not going to be solved in courtrooms or by judges and politicians. It will be solved in living rooms and across kitchen tables – by parents and families."

Joseph A. Califano, Jr.

